

**Howard County Local Behavioral Health Authority (HCLBHA)
Board Meeting Minutes
September 13, 2018**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Brown, Demidenko, Edelman, Filipczak, Foster, Giles, Joyner, Kirk, LaPorte, Liu, MacDonald, Madden, Newman, Skaggs (for Johnson), Van Blarcom, and Walker.

BOARD MEMBERS EXCUSED: Donovan, Helsel, Hull, Scornaienchi, and Tucker.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Ehrhardt, Kavanagh

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Rodgers-Bonaccorsy, Vickery, and Schaffer

Meeting started at 5:04 p.m.

The Board introduced themselves and Rodgers-Bonaccorsy welcomed everyone. A roster of Board members was updated and shared.

Rodgers-Bonaccorsy shared statistics regarding Howard County youth suicide and opioid overdoses.

MOTION: A motion was made to approve the Agenda for September 13, 2018. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

BACKGROUND/HISTORY OF NEW LBHA BOARD:

Rodgers-Bonaccorsy shared the history of the HCLBHA Board. The Board will include 18 appointed members and 10 Ex-Officio members. The importance of family members and consumers was a key focus in forming the Board. Vacancies that need to be filled on the Board are: Family Member/SUD (1), Family Member/SUD or MH (1), Consumer/SUD (2), Consumer/SUD or MH (1). Any interested parties should send contact information and resume to Rodgers-Bonaccorsy or Schaffer.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a) Formed a workgroup to recruit a Slate of Officers for the HCLBHA Board. Filipczak, MacDonald, and Kirk volunteered.
- b) Formed a workgroup to create the By-Laws for the HCLBHA Board. Filipczak, MacDonald, Giles and Edelman volunteered.
- c) Formed a workgroup to work on the Integration Self-Assessment Tool for the FY20 Annual Plan. Van Blarcom and Brown volunteered to work with Rodgers-Bonaccorsy.

d) An email will be sent to absent Board members to invite them to join the groups.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/OTHER ITEMS:

- Rodgers-Bonaccorsy shared upcoming events and pointed out some postponements due to weather. The rescheduled date of the Recovery Walk will be October 27th.
- Rodgers-Bonaccorsy highlighted the Guiding Good Choices program, which is an alcohol and drug prevention program for parents of children ages 9-14.
- LaPorte shared that the HCPD has put together a workgroup to determine how to carry out the MD Extreme Risk Protective Order that goes into effect on October 1st.
- Edelman shared information regarding NAMI Howard County's annual bingo fundraiser on October 26th, 2018.
- Filipczak shared information about the mental health services directory. Integrating the SUD and MH directories is in progress. A Behavioral Health Navigator will start working at the health department next week and will also be working on this.
- Edelman requested information on county behavioral health statistics. Rodgers-Bonaccorsy will send out some information.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 6:16 p.m.